



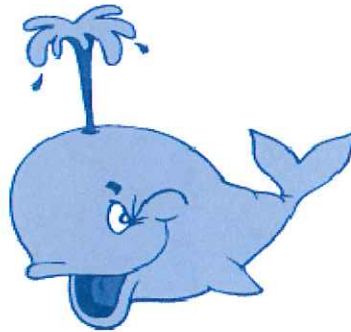
Goodwin Elementary Announcements & Events

Notices for 5/6/16

- ***Thank You Letter from the Goodwin Staff***
- ***Kindergarten Parent Orientation Night
Monday, May 16th 6-7pm***
- ***Grade 4 Physical Education Field Trip to
the MMS Ropes Course May 26th and
27th***
- ***Camp Invention Summer Registration
Information***

- ***The Big Whale Bash Saturday, May 14th
11:00am-3:00pm***
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Bash***
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Screening for 3 and 4 year olds May 25th,
26th, and 27th, 2016***
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May, June, & July 2016***

Goodwin Elementary School



Goodwin would like to thank the PTO and parent volunteers for providing a wonderful luncheon and breakfast for our entire staff.

We appreciate our parent volunteers and the PTO for all that they provide for our school, students, teachers and community.

Thank you,

Goodwin Elementary School

Susan Muirhead, Teachers and Staff



Goodwin Elementary School

Kindergarten Parent Orientation Night

May 16th, 2016

6-7pm

Welcome to the Goodwin School Family. You are invited to join us for our Kindergarten Parent Orientation. This is an opportunity for parents to receive information and view a PowerPoint presentation about the Kindergarten program and meet the Principal, Kindergarten teachers, staff members, Mansfield Afterschool Program and PTO representatives. If this will be the first year your child will be attending Goodwin, it is very important that you be present at Parent Orientation. Child care will be provided during the orientation if needed. Parents of students that are currently enrolled in the Goodwin pre-school program would also benefit from the information being presented on this night.

Please contact the office by email prior to **May 6th** to inform us if you plan on attending and if our child care service will be needed. gnooffice@mansfieldct.org

When you arrive to Kindergarten Parent Orientation Night on May 16th at 6:00 pm, please report to the school office to:

- Proof of residency (copy of lease or mortgage only)
- Pick up your registration packet and information folder
- Make an appointment for Kindergarten Student Visitation/Screening Day

We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have.

If you need additional information please call us at 860-429-6316 or email us at gnooffice@mansfieldct.org

- Parking is available in the upper parking lot only. Parking is prohibited in the front of the school.



"A Whale of a School"

THE DOROTHY C. GOODWIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Susan Muirhead, *Principal*

321 Hunting Lodge Road • Storrs, Connecticut 06268 • (860) 429-6316 • Fax: (860) 487-5641
www.mansfieldct.org/schools/goodwin.

Dear Parents

May 6, 2016

The 4th graders will be taking a Physical Education Field Trip to the MMS Ropes Course. This activity is part of your child's physical education program. Weather permitting, the 4th grade students will be participating in a variety of adventure activities similar to their experiences in the Physical Education Program at Goodwin School. Mrs. Ruiz's class and Mrs. Hodge's classes will be combined, half of the students will be attending the Thursday, May 26th session and the other half will be attending the Friday, May 27th session. The bus will leave Goodwin School at 9:15 and return at approximately 2:00.

Children must wear sneakers and clothing appropriate for climbing and the day's weather forecast. Insect repellent is encouraged but must be applied at home.

Students need to bring a bag lunch and a drink (no glass bottles) from home or order a bag lunch at school. We will eat lunch after we have completed a portion of the rope activities. Students may bring a snack, which they will have prior to beginning the rope course. It is recommended that children bring water in a plastic container to be utilized throughout the day.

Sincerely,

Stephen Dean
Stephen Dean

Please return if your child needs to order a bag lunch

My child _____ will need a bag lunch from the school cafeteria for the physical education field trip to the MMS Ropes Course.

Parent Signature



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THE BIG WHALE BASH

FUN FAIR!

Saturday, May 14th
11:00am – 3:00pm

SILENT AUCTION

Get Great Stuff for a Great Deal!



Holiday Hill Camp • Camp Cody • Disney World
UConn Women's Basketball Tickets • CrossFit
Mansfield Community Center • Adventure Park
Six Flags New England • And SO Much More!!!

FOOD

Popcorn

Cotton Candy

Nachos

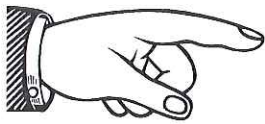
Games & Prizes



FACE PAINTING & TATTOOS

Goodwin School | Hunting Lodge Road





VOLUNTEERS WANTED

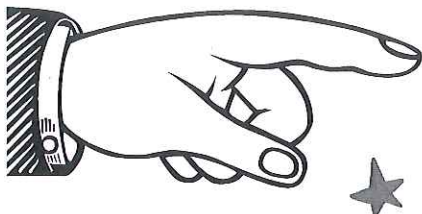
Volunteers needed for set-up Friday, May 13th from 6-8 pm; Saturday, May 14th set-up 9-11am; to run games, sell tickets and serve food from 11am-3pm; and clean-up 3-4:30pm.

Children of all day volunteers receive bracelets for unlimited use of the inflatable obstacle course; all day youth volunteers (must be at least 7th grade) receive a free lunch and a special 1/2 hour of private obstacle course time at the end of the fair.



ChristineJeffers@live.com

www.signupgenius.com - Big Whale Bash 2016



SILENT AUCTION

Get Great Stuff for a Great Deal!

BEST BID WINS!

Camp Cody Two Week Session at Overnight Camp in NH

Holiday Hill Two Week Session at Day Camp

Disney World 4 Park Hopper passes

Maynard Trucking and Excavation
4 yards of garden manure delivered locally

Mansfield Community Center 3 month membership

CrossFit Storrs 20 classes and sweatshirt

UConn Athletics 4 Women's Basketball Tickets

20 Zumba Classes - Kim Gates

Essex Steam Train Passes

Adventure Park Passes

Old Sturbridge Village Passes

Villari's Martial Arts/Quester's Way Family Fun Pack

Six Flags New England Passes

CT Trolley Museum Family Pass

Lucky Strike Bowling

2 Passes for 1 hr of Bowling & Shoe Rental

Roger Williams Park Zoo 4 Admission Passes

Mystic Seaport 2 Guest Passes

Jorgensen Center for Performing Arts
Gift Certificate

The UPS Store Gift Certificate

Cumberland Farms Gift Certificate

Wilmington Pizza House Gift Certificate

Willimantic Food Co-op Gift Basket

UConn Blooms Plant

Red Rock Restaurant Gift Certificate

Mooyah Burgers Gift Certificate

Domino's Pizza Gift Certificate



Saturday, May 14th
11:00am – 2:30pm

BEST BID WINS!

Mansfield Drive-in 2 Tickets

Craft-tastic Pom Pom Kit from The Hoot

Wings Over Storrs Gift Certificate

Villa Spirits Bottle of Wine

Case of Hosmer Mtn Bottling Co.

Nature's Health Food Store

Price Chopper Gift Certificate

Dog Lane Café

Dick's Auto

Fox Meadow Farm CSA Share

CSA 3 Weeks Share

Lite n' Scent Candles and Soap

Mary Kay Basket

Origami Owl Custom Jewelry

Melissa Grakowsky Shippee Jewelry

Magnolia Run- 4 private horseback riding lessons

Handmade Jewelry

A Night of Babysitting Principal Muirhead

Lady's Outfits

Jia Zhang Photography Service

ZenFull Results Photography

Mark Mirko Original Photography

Time Magazine signed by Joe Clark

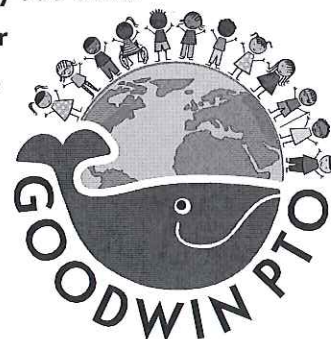
Wooden iPhone Speaker

Cornhole Boards/Game

3 Private Yoga Classes

Canvas Purses

Legos AND MORE!!!!



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Mansfield Public Schools

Preschool Screening for 3 and 4 year olds.

May 25th, 26th and 27th, 2016

**Mansfield Public Library
Buchanan Auditorium
54 Warrenville Rd.
Mansfield Center Ct.**

**Contact the office to set up an appointment.
860-429-6316**

Your child must be at least 3 by September 1, 2016

Family Fun in Mansfield May, June, July & August 2016

Special Notes

- **The Adventure Park at Storrs** (860-946-0606) (StorrsAdventurePark.com) is an aerial forest park with fun, healthy and safe outdoor adventures for families (ages 7 and older) featuring obstacle courses in the trees and zip lines of varying challenge levels. Check the website for hours of operation and special promotions.
- **Ballard Institute & Museum of Puppetry** (486-8580) (bimp.uconn.edu) is located at 1 Royce Circle in Storrs Center and is open Tues.-Sun. 11am-7pm. Current exhibit through Oct. 9: **Bureau of Small Requests: Puppetry and Animation of Laura Heit**. Call or check the website for frequent puppetry performances, many of which are great for families (see calendar below). And be sure to check out the FUN gift selections when you're there!
- **Community School of the Arts** (486-1073) (csa.uconn.edu) offers music programs for children (and adults). Check the website or the Summer 2016 Mansfield Parks & Recreation Brochure for a listing of programs.
- **CT State Museum of Natural History & CT Archaeology Center** (486-4460) (mnh.uconn.edu) has a multi-media permanent exhibit, **Human's Nature: A Closer Look at the Relationship Between People and the Environment**. The Museum is open Mon.-Fri., 10am-4pm (closed Sat. and Sun.). Check the website or call for a copy of the Summer 2016 brochure, which includes several exciting programs for children and their families (listed below).
- **Gurleyville Gristmill** (429-9032) (joshuastrust.org), located on Stonemill Rd. in the Gurleyville section of Mansfield, is owned and operated by Joshua's Trust, and is open Sundays from May 15 through mid-October from 1-5pm.
- **Joshua's Trust** (Joshua's Tract Conservation and Historic Trust, Inc.) (JT) (429-9023) (joshuastrust.org) offices are located at 624 Wormwood Hill Rd. in Mansfield. JT currently manages over 4,000 acres in Northeast CT, most of which have walking trails open to the public. Check the website for a list of properties (with maps) + scheduled walks throughout the year, especially this summer's family walks, runs & programs at several JT properties in the area + the Letterbox Challenge!
- **Mansfield Advocates for Children (MAC)** (429-3338) (mansfieldadvocatesforchildren.org) is an organization of parents, school personnel, early care center directors, health professionals and others concerned with the health, successful learning and community connection for children ages 0-8 in Mansfield. This group meets the first Wed. of each month at 5:30pm to discuss policies and programs to enhance the lives of Mansfield's families. Dinner and childcare provided. Please contact Maggie Ferron (FerronMB@mansfieldct.org) with questions. Check the website for a listing of early care and education providers in Mansfield. *This summer MAC is co-sponsoring with Joshua's Trust several programs for young children!*
- **Mansfield Historical Society** (429-6575) (mansfieldct-history.org) will be open Sat. and Sun. 1:30-4:30pm, from June 4 through Sept. 26. This year's exhibit focuses on the career of Mansfield architect Edwin Fitch who built many houses and churches in northeastern CT in the 1830s-60s.
- **Mansfield Parks and Recreation Dept.** (429-3015) (mansfieldcc.com) has many classes, programs and activities for young children. Check the Summer 2016 brochure sent to every household for information about summer camps, community gardens, pool (and other) parties, rentals of kayaks and backyard game equipment, **fee waivers** for eligible Mansfield residents, and so much more!
- **Mansfield Public Library** (423-2501) (mansfieldpubliclibraryct.org) is a treasure-trove of free books and other media for children and families and offers 3 drop-in program series for young children: **Wonderful Wednesdays** (all ages with caregiver), 10:30-11:30am, June 22-Aug. 17 (but NOT July 20); **Family Storytime** (all ages with caregiver), Saturdays, 10:30-11:30am, May 7-Aug. 27 (but NOT June 25); and **Toddler Time** (birth-age 3 with caregiver), Fridays, 10:30am-12n, May 6-July 29 (but NOT May 27). Also check out the **Summer Reading Programs, Crafty Afternoons and Fun on the Fields** series plus many special programs and events listed here throughout the summer.
- **Mark Edward Freitas Ice Forum** (486-2712) (uconnhuskies.com/facilities/freitas-ice-forum.html) is open to the public for skating lessons for ages 4 and up, as well as general skating, for part of the summer. Call or check the website for details.
- **Storrs Farmers Market** (storrsfarmersmarket.org) is open 3-6pm Saturdays from May 7-Nov. 19, on the front lawn of the Mansfield Town Hall, rain or shine. Something for everyone! **BUY and EAT LOCAL!!!**
- **UConn Co-op Bookstore** (486-8525) (<http://generalbooks.bookstore.uconn.edu>) is located at 1 Royce Circle, Storrs Center and has a TERRIFIC selection of children's books! It will soon undergo a management (and name) change. Stay tuned!
- **UConn EEB (=Ecology & Evolutionary Biology) Greenhouses** (486-4052) (<http://florawww.eeb.uconn.edu/>), on the UConn campus, house a huge collection of amazing live plants from all over the world. Open to the public: Mon.-Fri., 8am-4pm.
- **William Benton Museum of Art** (486-1705) (benton.uconn.edu) is located on the UCONN campus and is open Tues.-Fri., 10am - 4:30pm and Sat. & Sun., 1-4:30pm (closed July 2-4). FUN exhibit from June 2-July 31: **BLOW UP! Inflatable Contemporary Art!!!** Check the website for special programs for kids.

For more information about the events listed in this calendar, check the following sources:

BIMP = Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry (486-8580) (bimp.uconn.edu)
CF = Cloverleigh Farm, 336 Mansfield City Rd., Mansfield (860-373-6324) (cloverleighfarm@gmail.com)
CRT/NSS = Connecticut Repertory Theater/Nutmeg Summer Series (486-2113) (crt.uconn.edu)
CSMNH = CT State Museum of Natural History & CT Archaeology Center (UConn) (486-4460) (mnh.uconn.edu)
JT = Joshua's Trust (429-9023) (joshuastrust.org)
MAC = Mansfield Advocates for Children (429-3338) (mansfieldadvocatesforchildren.org) (ferronmb@mansfieldct.org)
MDP = Mansfield Downtown Partnership (429-3015) (mansfieldct.gov/downtownpartnership) (mansfieldct.gov/summer)
MHM = Mount Hope Montessori School (423-1070) (mounthopemontessori.com)
MPL = Mansfield Public Library (423-2501) (mansfieldpubliclibraryct.org)
MPRD = Mansfield Parks and Recreation Department (429-3015) (mansfieldcc.com)

Many of the following programs require advance registration and/or fees. Call ahead!

Fee waivers are available to eligible Mansfield residents for most Mansfield Parks and Recreation Department programs (429-3015). Scholarships may be available for other fee-based programs listed here.

Summer Vacation Camps, Programs, Workshops, Activities

Ballard Institute & Museum of Puppetry (BIMP) (486-8580; bimp.uconn.edu); **Community School of the Arts** (486-1073; csa.uconn.edu); **Holiday Hill Day Camp** (423-1375; holidayrecreation.com); **Kids are Scientists & Engineers Too! (K.A.S.E.T.)** (486-0194; kasct.uconn.edu); **Mansfield Parks & Recreation Dept.** (429-3015; mansfieldcc.com); **Mansfield Public Library** (429-2501; mansfieldpubliclibrary.org); **Mount Hope Montessori School** (mounthopemontessori.com) (423-1070); **UCann Cook Camps** (486-3128; www.dining.uconn.edu/ucann-cook-camp-2016/)

MAY 2016

May 8 (Sun.), 7-9am – Birding with Mom @ Mt. Hope Park, Rte. 89, with 2 experienced birders. BYO binocs. (MPRD)
 May 11 (Wed.), 7pm – Spring Band Concert by Mansfield Middle School students in the MMS auditorium (MMS)
 May 14 (Sat.), 9:30am – Mansfield Pup Crawl! Bring your dogs, young and old, for a walk in Storrs Downtown. WOOF! (MDP)
 May 14 (Sat.), 9:30-11:30am – Wildflowers @ 50-Foot Cliff Preserve; guided walk to look for spring flowers (ages 5+) (MPRD)
 May 14 (Sat.) + 15 (Sun.), 11am-12n – ROCK and roll party; help “harvest” the first crop; Bring work gloves & water (CF)
 May 14 (Sat.), 10am-3pm – Mt. Hope Montessori's Spring Fair! Bounce house, games & food & MORE! (raindate: 5/21) (MHM)
 May 14 (Sat.), 11am-3pm – Big Whale Bash @ Goodwin Elementary School; come for fun for the whole family! (429-6316)
 May 15 (Sun.), 1pm – Opening of the Gurleyville Grist Mill in Mansfield & walk along the Fenton River; family fun! (JT)
 May 18 (Wed.), 7pm – Spring Orchestra Concert by Mansfield Middle School students in the MMS auditorium (MMS)
 May 21 (Sat.), 8am- c. 8pm – Bus trip to Newport, RI, for a day to explore on your own. Family fun!! (register by 5/9) (MPRD)
 May 21 (Sat.), 9-11am – Birds of Spring @ CT Audubon's Bafflin Sanctuary with Paula Coughlin. (ages 5 + w/adult) (CSMNH)
 May 21 (Sat.), 3-4:30pm – Mansfield Library Annual Plant Swap @ Buchanan Center; bring some, take some! (MPL)
 May 22 (Sun.), 2pm – BIMP presents a performance of *Beauty and the Beast* by Stevens Puppets (BIMP)
 May 25 (Wed.), 7pm – Spring Choral Concert by Mansfield Middle School students in the MMS auditorium (MMS)
 May 27 (Fri.), 6:30-8:30pm – Fourth Friday Family Paint Night! Take home your artist-inspired painting! (ages 5+) (MPRD)
 May 28 (Sat.), 1pm – Exploring We Will Go! A guided walk especially for children @ the H.E. Preston Sanctuary, Hampton (JT)
 May 30 (Mon.), 9am – Memorial Day parade and observances in Mansfield Center (if rain: MMS gym) (429-3302)

JUNE 2016

June 1 (Wed.), 6:30pm – Beginning Band Concert by 4th grade students in Mansfield Middle School auditorium (MMS)
 June 4 (9am-4pm) – One-day **BOOK SALE** at the Mansfield Library; LOTS of books (+) for kids of all ages!! (ML)
 June 4 (Sat.), 10-11am – Help plant tomatoes, peppers and/or eggplants; kids must be closely supervised; bring water, etc. (CF)
 June 4 (Sat.), 11am – Guided letterboxing walk through Whetten Woods in Mansfield; FUN for the whole family! (JT)
 June 5 (Sun.), 1-3pm – Explore Dunhamtown Forest on CT Trails Day! Guided walk with 2 experienced naturalists (MPRD)
 June 11 (Sat.), 10-11:30am – Exploring Connecticut's Towns: Essex! Very interesting history!!! (ages 8 + w/adult) (CSMNH)
 June 12 (Sun.), 3pm – Donor Appreciation choral concert by Take Note! at the First Church of Christ in Mansfield (228-2390)
 June 15 (Wed.), 6:30-8pm – Kidsville [Cuckoo Revue] Summer Kickoff @ the Town Square! Dance to your favorites!! (MDP)
 June 17 (Fri.), 6-7:30pm – “Travels with a Book” Family Party to celebrate the start of the Summer Reading Program (MPL)
 June 18 (Sat.), 7am-12n – John E. Jackman Tour de Mansfield ; FREE bike rodeo for kids! (raindate Sun., 6/19) (MPRD)
 June 19 (Sun.), 10:15am-?? – Bus trip to Fenway Park for a Red Sox vs. Seattle Mariners game+lunch (REG. EARLY!) (MPRD)
 June 23 (Thurs.), 3pm – 45-min. guided nature walk & fun activities in Whetten Woods for preschoolers (+)! (JT) (MAC)
 June 23-July 2 – Performances of the musical *Peter and the Star Catcher* @ the Harriet Jorgensen Theater, UConn (CRT/NSS)
 June 24 (Fri.), 6:30-8:30pm – Fourth Friday Family Paint Night! Take home your artist-inspired painting! (ages 5+) (MPRD)
 June 24 (Fri.), 7pm activities + 8:30pm Moonlight Movie @ the Mansfield Town Square: *Muppets Treasure Island*. (MDP)
 June 25 (Sat.), 10am – Walk with the CT State Archaeologist @ Mason's Mill Preserve! (for elem. schoolers) (JT) (MAC)
 June 25 (Sat.), 10:30-11:30am – Magic, funny jokes & balloon animals with Magician Ed Popielarczyk!!! (all ages) (MPL)

JULY 2016

July 2 (Sat.), 11am & 2pm – BIMP presents *Summertime Saturday Puppet Shows!* Fun for the whole family!!! (BIMP)
 July 4 (Mon.), 3pm-c.12m – Bus trip to Tanglewood for a James Taylor concert & fireworks!!! (REGISTER EARLY!!) (MPRD)
 July 9 (Sat.), 10am – Walk with a geologist to explore Bradley-Buchanan Woods in Mansfield! (for elem. Schoolers) (JT) (MAC)
 July 9 (Sat.), 11am & 2pm – BIMP presents *Summertime Saturday Puppet Shows!* Fun for the whole family!!! (BIMP)
 July 9 (Sat.), 4-7pm – Family Fun Night @ Bicentennial Pond: fun & games for the whole family; BYO food (MPRD)
 July 12 (Tues.), 6:30-7:30pm – Children's singing & dancing games from around the world with a minstrel!!! (all ages) (MPL)
 July 14 (Thurs.), 2-3pm – Shadow Puppetry workshop with Krista Weltner; make & perform with your own puppet!!! (MPL)
 July 16 (Sat.), 8am – 4th Annual 5K Run for the Mansfield Community Playground. Kids' races & more! (MPRD)
 July 16 (Sat.), 8am-c. 2pm – 25th Annual CT K9 (Canine) Olympics on the UConn Depot campus; amazing!!!! (486-4801)
 July 16 (Sat.), 11am & 2pm – BIMP presents *Summertime Saturday Puppet Shows!* Fun for the whole family!!! (BIMP)
 July 20 (Wed.), 11am-12n – The PuppeTree presents *Caps for Sale*; a beloved book comes to life with puppets (all ages) (MPL)
 July 21 (Thurs.), 3pm – 45-min. guided nature walk & fun activities in Whetten Woods for preschoolers (+)! (JT) (MAC)
 July 22 (Fri.), 6:30-8:30pm – Fourth Friday Family Paint Night! Take home your artist-inspired painting! (ages 5+) (MPRD)
 July 23 (Sat.), 11am & 2pm – BIMP presents *Summertime Saturday Puppet Shows!* Fun for the whole family!!! (BIMP)
 July 26 (Tues.), 3:30-4:30pm – Animal Embassy presents *Athletes of the Animal World*; meet some amazing animals!!! (MPL)
 July 29 (Fri.), 6am-c. 3:30pm – Bus trip to Plymouth, MA, for a 4-hr. Whale Watch! (Register by July 7) (MPRD)
 July 29 (Fri.), 7pm activities + 8:30pm Moonlight Movie @ the Mansfield Town Square: *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*. (MDP)
 July 30 (Sat.), 11am & 2pm – BIMP presents *Summertime Saturday Puppet Shows!* Fun for the whole family!!! (BIMP)
 July 30 (Sat.), 1-3pm – UConn Bug Week Event at the Tolland Co. Extension Center, Vernon; LIVE bugs!!! (CSMNH)

AUGUST 2016

Aug. 2 (Tues.), 7-8pm – Mime Robert Rivest presents *On Your Mark, Get Set, Read, Move, Laugh & Play* !!! (all ages) (MPL)
 Aug. 6 (Sat.), 8:30am – Kids' trail run with a local marathoner in Bradley-Buchanan Woods! (for elem. schoolers) (JT) (MAC)
 Aug. 6 (Sat.), 11am & 2pm – BIMP presents *Summertime Saturday Puppet Shows!* Fun for the whole family!!! (BIMP)
 Aug. 11 (Thurs.), 2-3:30pm – Annual Ice Cream Party on the lawn; fun & games + make your own sundae!!! (all ages) (MPL)
 Aug. 13 (Sat.), 3-5pm – Come help harvest the onion crop for storage! Children will need close supervision. (CF)
 Aug. 18 (Th.), 10-11:30am – Hammonasset Shoreline Ecosystems @ Hammonasset State Park (ages 8+ w/adult) (CSMNH)
 Aug. 19 (Fri.), 7pm activities + 8:30pm Moonlight Movie @ the Mansfield Town Square: *E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial*. (MDP)
 Aug. 20 (Sat.), 8:30 – Kids' trail run with a local runner @ the Hubbard Sanctuary, Chaplin (for elem. schoolers) (JT) (MAC)
 Aug. 25 (Thurs.), 3pm – 45-min. guided nature walk & fun activities in Whetten Woods for preschoolers (+)! (JT) (MAC)
 Aug. 26 (Fri.), 6:30-8:30pm – Fourth Friday Family Paint Night! Take home your artist-inspired painting! (ages 5+) (MPRD)

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